

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at p. 6, line 25, with the following rewritten text:

Figure [[8]] 8a shows that the recombinant fusion protein is recognized by anti-Tf and anti-G-CSF antibodies. (a) Western-blot using anti-Tf antibody. Lane A: fusion protein; lane B: transferrin. (b)

Figure 8b shows that the recombinant fusion protein is recognized by anti-G-CSF antibodies. Western-blot using anti-G-CSF antibody. Lane A: fusion protein; lane B: G-CSF control.